

horse farms, dairy farms and rose green-houses are gone, but the five-person township committee form of government continues as it was in 1806.

Mr. Speaker, I urge you and my colleagues to join me in congratulating the residents of Chatham Township on the celebration of 200 years of rich history and the building of one of New Jersey's finest municipalities.

#### TRIBUTE TO MUNCIE SHERIFF IN SNIPER ARREST

#### HON. MIKE PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mr. PENCE. Mr. Speaker, a tragic tale of death and sniper shootings over the weekend has turned into a bittersweet success story for law enforcement in my home state of Indiana.

Early Sunday morning, after leaving a relative's hunting party on a Washington County farm, Zachariah Blanton, a 17-year-old Gaston, Indiana native, committed four shootings—two along Interstate 65 in Jackson County and another pair along Interstate 69 in Delaware County.

The previous two left Jerry Ross, age 40 of New Albany, dead and another man injured.

Mr. Speaker, this tale is all too familiar to those living in the 50-mile radius of this very Chamber from which we speak today. For it was October of 2002 when the hearts of the American people were troubled by barbaric acts of terror that felled innocent women, men, and even children, in the vicinity of our Nation's Capital.

Whatever the motivation, the acts of John Allen Muhammad in Washington and Zachariah Blanton are acts of terror. These perpetrators defied civilized behavior and believed they could defy the finest local, State, and Federal law enforcement in the world. How wrong they were.

Mr. Speaker, Zachariah Blanton was apprehended by Indiana law enforcement on Tuesday of this week, just two days after his heinous crimes.

Compared to the sad slayings that paralyzed Washington for nearly two months in 2002, one can only stand in honor and amazement at the quick end to the events of this week in the Hoosier State.

Mr. Speaker, I applaud the coordination efforts of the Indiana State Police with Jackson County officials, but rise with particular deference to Sheriff George Sheridan and his Delaware County Department of whom the residents of East Central Indiana are most proud this morning.

Mr. Speaker, the nation is watching Delaware County and Sheriff George Sheridan, and the nation is impressed.

On behalf of the residents of east central Indiana, I offer a heartfelt thanks to Sheriff George Sheridan and all law enforcement officials across the Hoosier State. God Bless you for your hard work.

#### HONORING SANDY AUGLIERE ON HER 90TH BIRTHDAY

#### HON. TOM DAVIS

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mr. TOM DAVIS of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Sandy Augliere on her 90th birthday and recognize her many accomplishments as well as her years of dedication to the Lake Barcroft community.

Sandy Augliere was born Mary Margaret Reed in Marion, N.C., but most everyone who has met her knows her simply as Sandy. Through her engaging personal demeanor and business acumen, Sandy has become an institution in the Lake Barcroft real estate community. In addition, Sandy has been a dedicated and loving wife to her husband Vince, and mother to her four children, Carol, Noel, Reed and Tom.

The senior associate broker at Long and Foster, Sandy has been in the real estate business for some 50 years. She has been in the top 1 percent of Realtors nationally and is a lifetime Million Dollar Club member. In the course of her impressive career, she has sold or re-sold approximately 700 to 800 of the 1,044 houses in the Lake Barcroft. Even today, Sandy works seven days a week, and has no plans to quit.

In establishing her impressive real estate accomplishments, she led opponents of discrimination against African Americans in the home buying market. Sandy sold homes to a diverse group of individuals and families, including Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall and Attorney General of the United States Ramsey Clark.

Throughout her ongoing success, she has never advertised on television. Instead, she depends on friends and word of mouth. If asked, Sandy is quick to point out that her personal touch has always been a hallmark of her success. This same personal touch has been felt in Lake Barcroft through her community service as Lake Barcroft Association president and Woman's Club president.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Sandy Augliere for her contributions to the Lake Barcroft community. She is an exemplary model of success and citizenship. I call upon my colleagues to join me in recognizing her on the occasion of her 90th birthday.

#### TRIBUTE TO 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OLD TIMERS DAY

#### HON. MELISSA A. HART

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Ms. HART. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the 100th Anniversary of Old Timers Day, a city tradition in New Castle, Pennsylvania, since 1906.

The first annual Old Timers picnic took place at Cascade Park on August 23, 1906, drawing in 7,000 residents of New Castle and has continued as an annual affair. The second year's picnic drew 11,000 people, and by the third year, attendance jumped to 17,000. The figures have fluctuated throughout the years,

but this event has always been a success and an important community event.

This year's festivities will be no exception, thanks to the chairmen and the community leaders who have planned the event. Activities will include: dancing, refreshments, prizes, and souvenirs.

I ask my colleagues in the United States House of Representatives to join me in honoring the "Old Timers" of New Castle and their families. It is an honor to represent the Fourth Congressional District of Pennsylvania and a pleasure to salute the achievements and fine traditions that truly improve the lives of the senior citizens of the New Castle and neighboring communities.

#### REPUBLICAN FISCAL POLICY IS WORKING

#### HON. JOE KNOLLENBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, July 27, 2006

Mr. KNOLLENBERG. Mr. Speaker, earlier this month the White House Office of Management and Budget handed down good news in its mid-year budget update—the Republican fiscal policy is working. This year's budget deficit is now forecasted at \$296 billion, which is 30 percent lower than the February projections.

We have made great progress in eliminating the budget deficit through fiscal responsibility and through increased tax revenues brought on by lower taxes.

Since the President's tax cuts were fully implemented in 2003, we have seen consistent and substantial growth in tax revenue. This reaffirms our knowledge that when we ease the tax burden on the American people, we become more productive. As we face future budget challenges it is important to keep that fact in mind.

We must do what is best for Americans. As we all can see by the new forecasts . . . cutting spending and reducing taxes produces real results.

#### EXPRESSING SENSE OF CONGRESS THAT VENEZUELA SHOULD SUP- PORT STRATEGIES FOR ENSUR- ING SECURE AIRPORT FACILI- TIES

SPEECH OF

#### HON. SHEILA JACKSON-LEE

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 26, 2006

Ms. JACKSON-LEE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to revise my previous statement regarding H. Con. Res. 400. I rise in opposition to H. Con. Res. 400. While I believe the United States should address the issue of drug trafficking from Venezuela, this resolution is too harsh a condemnation of the Government of Venezuela.

It should be the goal of the United States to work closely with Venezuela and the other nations of this region to combat the trafficking of narcotics and other controlled substances. It is not only out of concern for the welfare of our own Nation if illegal substances and laundered